

Title (en)
TURBINE AIRFOIL WITH PASSIVE MORPHING STRUCTURE

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TURBINENSCHAUFEL MIT PASSIVER MORPHING-STRUKTUR

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PROFIL AÉRODYNAMIQUE DE TURBINE AYANT UNE STRUCTURE DE MORPHAGE PASSIVE

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Abstract (en)
[origin: EP3173582A1] A turbine engine airfoil apparatus, comprising an airfoil (18) defined by a plurality of airfoil sections (36,40,136) arrayed along a stacking axis (34) that extends between a root (20) and a tip (22), wherein at least two of the airfoil sections (36,40,136) spaced apart from each other have differing airfoil section thermal expansion properties. A first section (136) may include a plurality of regions (146,148,150), wherein each of the regions has its particular coefficient of thermal expansivity. Thus, the airfoil (18) may have a static shape at standard atmospheric temperature and a second morphed shape at elevated temperature levels. The airfoil (18) has accordingly a variable camber depending on the fluid temperature. The airfoil is manufactured using an additive manufacturing method such as selevtive laser sintering or direct metal laser melting and the airfoil may be made of a metallic alloy or ceramic powder.

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